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Re: Docket AU-00000A-15-0309

Chairman Bitter Smith and Commissioners:

On behalf of The Alliance for Solar Choice (TASC) and its individual member companies this correspondence is in response to the Draft Letter filed on August 27, 2015, in the above referenced docket. TASC and its member companies fully support the request set forth in the Draft Letter.

TASC understands the Draft Letter to be asking regulated utilities and other "unregulated entities that appear before the Commission" to commit to refraining from making campaign expenditures in support of or in opposition to candidates for election to the Arizona Corporation Commission. TASC and its individual member companies hereby commit that they will not make expenditures to support or oppose candidates for election to the Arizona Corporation Commission.

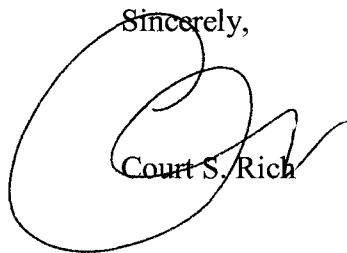
In making this commitment, TASC and its member companies pledge that this guarantee extends to any and all direct or indirect expenditures in support of or opposition to candidates for the Corporation Commission. This means that TASC and its member companies commit that they not only will not directly spend money, but that they will not cause expenditures to be routed through third parties resulting in anonymous advocacy in support of or opposition to candidates for the Arizona Corporation Commission.

The members of the Corporation Commission spend much of their time sitting in a judicial capacity and the Supreme Court of the United States has found that reasonable restrictions on otherwise free speech can be appropriate when designed to maintain the public's confidence in an impartial judiciary. TASC and its member companies believe that due to its

core judicial function, preserving not only the actual impartiality of the Commission but also the appearance of impartiality are compelling interests to be carefully protected.

While TASC member companies have previously made expenditures in a Commission election, such expenditures were always made with full transparency even when other participants were doing so anonymously. TASC is pleased to be able to pledge to help the Commission maintain the public's confidence and refrain from future election spending of any kind. TASC invites other regulated and unregulated entities to join it in making this pledge to assist in protecting the Commission from even the slightest appearance of partiality.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Court S. Rich', is written over the printed name. The signature is stylized with a large, looping 'C' and a trailing flourish.

Court S. Rich